

CLAIMS

1. A digital camera which captures object images via a taking lens and an image pickup device, said digital camera comprising:

- a camera body;
- a built-in memory for storing image data representing captured object images, said built-in memory being provided in said camera body;
- a detachable memory card for storing the image data, said memory card having a larger capacity than said built-in memory;
- a card slot for receiving said memory card, said card slot being provided on said camera body;
- a connector for connecting with said memory card, said connector being arranged at an inner end of said card slot;
- memory control means for transferring the image data from said built-in memory to said memory card; and
- wherein when said memory card is inserted into said card slot and connects to said connector, said memory card is partially exposed.

2. The digital camera as defined in claim 1, further comprising detecting means for detecting that said connector connects with said memory card, and wherein when said detecting means detects that said connector connects with said memory card, said memory control means transfers the image data stored in said built-in memory to said memory card and initializes said built-in memory to allow new capturing.

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3. The digital camera as defined in claim 1, wherein said camera body in an insertional direction of said memory card is shorter than said memory card in the insertional direction of said memory card.

4. The digital camera as defined in claim 1, wherein when said memory card is inserted into said card slot and connects to said connector, said memory card is partially exposed so that a user can grasp said memory card by the exposed part with fingers to detach said memory card from said camera body.

5. The digital camera as defined in claim 1, wherein when said memory card is inserted into said card slot and connects to said connector, more than 1/3 of said memory card is exposed in an insertional direction of said memory card.

6. A digital camera which captures object images via a taking lens and an image pickup device, said digital camera comprising:

a built-in memory for storing image data representing captured object images, said built-in memory being provided in a camera body;

a detachable external memory for storing the image data, said external memory having a larger capacity than said built-in memory;

a connector for connecting with said external memory;

detecting means for detecting that said connector connects with said external memory;

memory control means for transferring the image data from said built-in memory to said external memory; and

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wherein when said detecting means detects that said connector connects with said external memory, said memory control means transfers the image data stored in said built-in memory to said external memory and initializes said built-in memory to allow new capturing.

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